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Dear Sir:

- 1) Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98 applicants enclose a Form PTO-1449 and make of record the documents listed thereon. A copy of the International Search Report issued in the counterpart PCT International Application on October 28, 2003 is enclosed. Reference AE and an English Abstract thereof are enclosed. Copies of references AF to AH are not (and need not be) enclosed, because they were transmitted to the USPTO by the International Searching Authority in the International processing of this PCT Application.
- 2) This statement is being filed concurrently with the above identified new PCT National Phase Application.
- References AA to AD are in English. Reference AE is accompanied by an English Abstract. References AE and AG have been discussed at page 1 of the specification. Reference AE corresponds to AA,

AF corresponds to AB, AG corresponds to A C_j and AH corresponds to AD from which their relevance can be determined in English. Therefore, no further discussion of the references is required.

- 4) Moreover, the enclosed Search Report indicates the degree of relevance of each of the references AF to AH by category (A = technological background, general state of art; and X = relevant for anticipation or obviousness when considered aloneof the same). Thereby, a concise explanation of the relevance has been provided (see M.P.E.P. §609).
- 5) The Examiner is requested to consider all references of record, return an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 and ensure that all references of record are printed on any patent issuing from this application.
- 6) Favorable consideration and allowance of claims 1,2,12,14+23 are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted, <u>Werner BERNZEN et al.</u> Applicant

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